

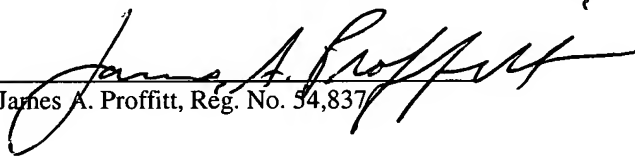


**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application Of:	)	
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<b>MUELLER, Peter D. et al.</b>	)	
	)	Art Unit: 2661
Application No.: <b>10/749,942</b>	)	
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Confirmation No.: <b>6664</b>	)	
	)	Atty. Docket No.: <b><u>INTEL24</u></b>
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Title: <b>METHOD FOR SUPPORTING</b>	)	
<b>MULTIPLE DEVICES ON A</b>	)	
<b>HIGH SPEED PHYSICAL LINK</b>	)	

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicants file this Preliminary Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115. Accordingly, prior to examination of this Application, please amend the Application as follows.